

Amendments to the Claims:

This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-11 (canceled).

12. (new) A method for creating an integrated user interface, the method executed by processing apparatus connected via a communication network to a client and more than one server, the method comprising:

preparing user interface information including server definition information defining a plurality of servers for providing user interface information regarding multiple user interfaces to the client, and including copy data information for copying common data;

upon a request from the client, requesting information from each of the servers providing the user interface information;

assigning a copy function for copying common data from the user interface information transferred from one of the plurality of servers to others of the user interface information from other servers to thereby create an integrated user interface consisting of the user interface information from the servers and the common data; and

transmitting the user interfaces and the common data to the client so as to display the integrated user interface having the common data.

13. (new) A user interface integration apparatus connected to a client and a plurality of servers, the apparatus comprising:

means for preparing user interface information including server definition information defining a plurality of servers for providing user interface information regarding multiple user interfaces to the client, and including copy data information for copying common data;

means for upon a request from the client, requesting information from each of the servers providing the user interface information;

means for assigning a copy function for copying common data from the user interface information transferred from one of the plurality of servers to others of the user interface information from other servers to thereby create an integrated user interface consisting of the user interface information from the servers and the common data; and

means for transmitting the user interfaces and the common data to the client so as to display the integrated user interface having the common data.

14. (new) A computer program product storable on computer readable storage media, the program product containing a program for executing a user interface integration method performed by processing apparatus, the method comprising:

preparing user interface information including server definition information defining a plurality of servers, each server for providing user interface information to the client, and providing copy data information for copying common data among the user interface information;

upon a request from the client, requesting information from each of the servers providing the user interface information;

assigning a copy function for copying common data from the user interface information transferred from one of the plurality of servers to others of the user interface information from other servers to thereby create an integrated user interface consisting the user interfaces having the copy function and the common data copied among the user interface information; and

transmitting the user interfaces and the common data to the client so as to display the integrated user interface having the common data.

15. (new) A page creation method executed by a processing apparatus coupled to a WWW browser and a plurality of application servers via a communication network, the method comprising:

preparing an integrated page creation script describing a procedure for creating an integrated page which page integrates a plurality of pages provided by the plurality of servers into a single page;

upon a request from the browser, requesting, according to the integrated page script, each of the servers providing pages constituting the integrated page, to provide their pages;

according to information of the integrated page assigning a copy function to each of the pages transferred from the respective servers and creating an integrated page which integrates the pages having such copy functions into a single page; and

transmitting the integrated page to the browser so as to display the integrated page on the browser.

16. (new) A method as in claim 12 wherein the client comprises a WWW browser, the plurality of servers comprise WWW application servers, the user interfaces provided by the respective servers comprise pages provided by the WWW application servers, and the integrated user interface comprises an integrated page which integrates the pages from the servers.

17. (new) A method as in claim 16 wherein the processing apparatus, the WWW browser, and the servers are interconnected by a local area network.

18. (new) A method as in claim 12 wherein the copy data information includes an "OUT" type indicating common data of a user interface as a copy source and an "IN" type indicating common data of a user interface as a copy destination.

19. (new) A method as in claim 18 wherein the copy data information further includes an "IN/OUT" type indicating common data of one user interface as a copy destination and, with respect to another user interface, the common data of said another user interface as a copy source when the common data is modified at said one user interface.

20. (new) Apparatus as claimed in claim 13 wherein the copy data information includes an "OUT" type indicating common data of a user interface as a copy source and an "IN" type indicating common data of a user interface as a copy destination.

21. (new) Apparatus as claimed in claim 20 wherein the copy data information further includes an "IN/OUT" type indicating a common data of one user interface as a copy destination and, with respect to another user interface, the common data of said another user interface as a copy source when the common data is modified at said one user interface.

22. (new) A computer program product for use in creating an integrated page, the program executed by processing apparatus connected to a WWW browser and a plurality of application servers via a communication network, the method comprising:

preparing an integrated page creation script describing a procedure for creating an integrated page which combines a plurality of pages provided by the plurality of servers, into a single page;

upon request from the browser, requesting, according to the integrated page creation script, each of the servers to provide pages for the integrated page;

assigning a copy function to each of the pages transferred from the servers to copy common data among them according to information of the integrated page, and creating an integrated page which integrates the pages having copy function into a single page; and

transmitting the integrated page to the browser so as to display the integrated page on the browser.